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Through assistance given by Christians the world over, refugees in Berlin are given as much help and relief as means permit. (See other pictures, pages 1028-29)

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A Thanksgiving Appeal

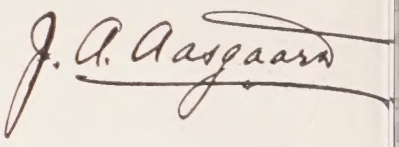
Again the Thanksgiving season draws near. It is well to have this emphasis even if we give thanks to God at other times. We often bring our petitions to the Lord, but it seems human to forget to thank and praise Him for His loving kindness and mercy. The Book of Psalms is full of exhortations: "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits."

It is particularly appropriate that during this season it has become a custom to gather clothing for the needy in other parts of the world. Our dear heavenly Father has given us far more than we have understood to ask for, but there are brethren in other places who scarcely have necessary clothing for the winter. Let us also express our thankfulness to Him in deeds, remembering the words of His Son: "Inasmuch as ye have done it for the least of these, ye have done it for me."

Below is a list of warehouses to which clothing can be sent. May we give generously and joyfully, thanking God for the opportunity of sharing with those in need. It will make our joy and thanksgiving fuller and more satisfying when we know that others are joining us at this time.

Our people are asked to gather the clothing, pack it properly, and forward it—freight or express prepaid—to the nearest receiving depot.

God grant you a joyous and blessed Thanksgiving in His name.



Lutheran World Relief, Inc.

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New York 10, New York

WAREHOUSES

If you are planning to ship a boxcar of clothing (15,000 lbs or more) write in advance of date of loading to Lutheran World Relief, 50 Madison Avenue, New York 10, New York, and request shipping instructions. All other shipments should be sent to one of the following addresses:

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Be sure that all shipments are plainly marked for LU WORLD RELIEF, and that your name and address app as sender.

Temporary receiving stations listed above are open esp the Thanksgiving Clothing Appeal and will be closed by 31, 1953.

NOTES

Shoes: Be sure that shoes are in good repair and are ti in pairs.

Military Clothing: Because governmental regulations r tensive alterations prior to export, LWR does **not** desire military clothing.

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eport on elevision and Radio

O. H. Hove
General Secretary and Director of Public Relations for the ELC

challenge and tremendous possibilities of television recognized by our Church at its last convention. ng other things, it voted "that the Church, through General Secretary's office, take immediate steps to itself for the greatest possible employment of sion by the Church in its ministry."

keeping with this charge, plans are under way r office for general development of ELC television ding general administration of television programs ed out in cooperation with departments.

. Robert E. A. Lee, who has been elected to, and ccepted, the position of director of ELC Films, lso continue as assistant director of public relations radio and television as his special concern. Since television programs are on film, this combination d prove an interesting development.

rthy of note also is the fact that the Rev. Norman mer has been called by the Home Mission Board the Evangelism Commission to be a television elist. He will be concerned with television preach- nd programs in the field of evangelism. His ideas, siasm, and contacts through his former parish in Hollywood will assure interesting developments s area.

ne preliminary work has been done in the way of ding radio and television conferences and clinics, igating the experiences of other churches, discuss- ntersynodical possibilities, evaluating a possible n-owned station, and considering ideas for pro- and finances. An experimen- ies of programs in cooperation the Evangelism Division is ed as the initial venture in the

he field of radio, the public ns office is preparing to take over operation of the Minneapolis studio of WCAL, to develop radio programs on the ELC for use on other stations, and to offer assistance to departmental and local broadcasters. Mr. Lee has conducted a seminar on radio broadcasting for interested students at Luther Seminary.

Conferences with interested and competent people in the radio and television fields as to needs and means are being arranged. In television especially, finances are a major concern. Once launched, it is possible that financial response from viewers may go a long way toward solving the problem, or it is also possible that a suitable sponsor could be found.

Initially, however, there are four main possibilities: synodical subsidy, auxiliary support, area support from congregations, and individual backing from interested parties. These might be designated, of course, for a particular program or department, but could otherwise be sent for use of the General Secretary's office for general television development. All such funds would be handled by the treasurer of the Church.

Finally, our 1952 convention also urged "that the Church encourage all its TV-owning members to personally engage in constructive criticism on behalf of improving the moral tone of programming." A letter, post card, or telephone call to the broadcasting station carries weight. This is something we can all do now, while we carry on our plans to provide some programs that will give the stations some better material to offer.

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Two men have just begun new assignments in the field of radio-television-film work for The Evangelical Lutheran Church.

They are Bob Lee, new executive director of ELC Films, and the Rev. Norman L. Hammer, television evangelist on the West Coast.

Mr. Lee, who succeeded Paul D. Rusten, was assistant director of public relations for the ELC at the time he was named to the Film's post. He will continue this

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official capacity with responsibility centered in the areas of radio and TV programming, in addition to his new duties with ELC Films.

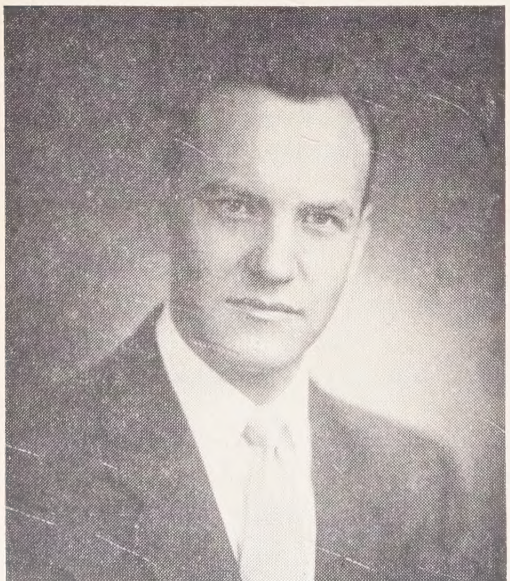
As director of the audio-visual production and distribution firm of the church body, he will also represent the ELC on Lutheran Church Productions, Inc., which commissioned the "Martin Luther" film.

Mr. Lee begins his new assignment with a backlog of several years' experience in the radio-TV field that began while he was still a student at Luther College, Decorah, Iowa, serving as student manager of the college station, KWLC.

Following the war, he was program director at WMIN in the Twin Cities. It was while he was there that the ELC department of Christian education called upon him to begin his work with what has now become familiarly known as *Children's Chapel.* With a staff of radio and journalism students from St. Olaf, Luther, and the University of Minnesota, he began a series of dramatized Bible story programs that became so popular they are now broadcast over some 40 stations in the United States, as well as stations in Alaska, Canada, and Ecuador, South America, in conjunction with the Sunday School at Home program designed to reach children in outlying regions.

Last spring when the Lutheran Church Productions and Louis de Rochemont Associates decided to release the film, "Martin Luther," to the general public, they chose Lee as executive director of the committee. So successful was the premiere that moviemen everywhere took note, and enthusiasm for the film began to sweep the country.

Mr. Lee joined the ELC Public Relations staff last January. In addition to his latest responsibiliti will continue directing *Children's Chapel.*



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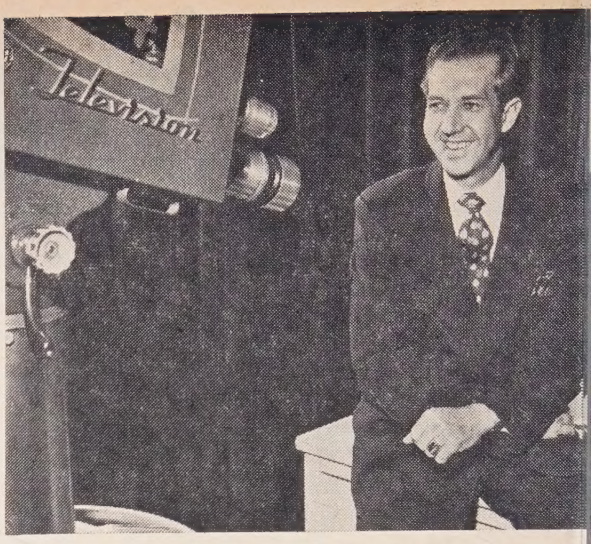


Pastor Norman Hammer

Television activity in the ELC is being spearh by the Rev. Norman L. Hammer, former pas North Hollywood, Calif.

Called as TV evangelist by the Department of Missions, Mr. Hammer plans to begin work so a program entitled "It Happened to Me." The w is to be under the general administration of the general secretary's office in co-operation with the gelism division.

Working with Mr. Hammer on the program Barclay Allen, former piano soloist with the I Martin orchestra and later conductor of a band own, and Betty Barth, Luther College graduat former network TV writer in Chicago and New

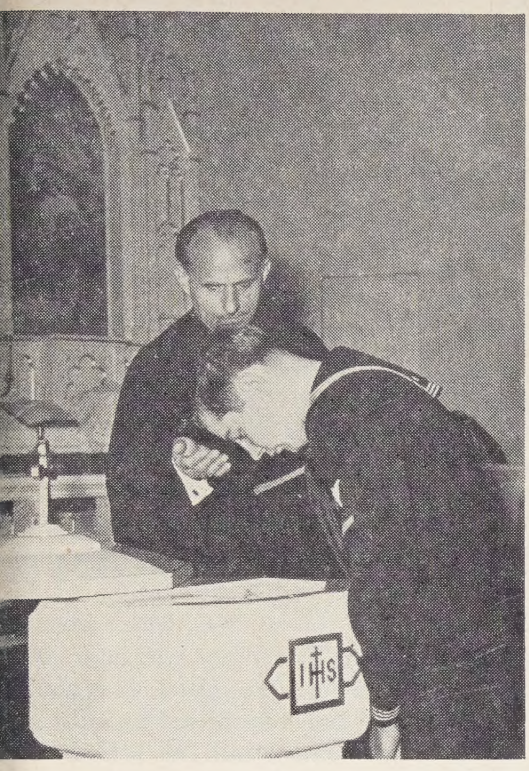
Mr. Hammer is a Bethany College and Luther nary graduate. When the Home Mission depa began its expanded program at the close of Worl II, Mr. Hammer went to North Hollywood as th pastor called under the new program, serving missionary for two years in addition to the work regular congregation.

Shortly after his arrival in California, Hamm gether with the Rev. Gaylerd Falde, now presi the California district, pioneered again, this ti the area of ELC Christian Day Schools. Inaug with a small staff for only the first four grad school at North Hollywood now is staffed w teachers, providing instruction for 250 children first eight grades and kindergarten.

"It Happened to Me," is a devotional progr tended to dramatize the manner in which the works to solve individual problems common to o life.

Short, Short Story

Fred T. Eggert
Service Pastor, San Diego, Calif.



. came to the Center—not a Lutheran—with a olic buddy—HCK gets on a publicity picture—buddy declines—HCK begins instruction from ce Pastor E.—buddy begins with Catholic chap- HCK and buddy "spell" each other on questions n one day: no more "spelling"—buddy is forbid- o do so—"because he would get wrong ideas by g these (Lutheran) questions and hearing their heran) answers"—HCK keeps on studying—and itnesses—but he is told by buddy: "Why, man, throwing your life away" —but HCK continues row his life away"—by studying his Catechism and reading his Bible every evening—before g the rack—and amid many taunts HCK "fights ood fight"—and destroyers are small ships. And he can't keep the good news—he finally tells his back east—he is "almost finished" with his in- ion—and then that happy, glorious day—of this e. HCK has sealed to himself all the blessings d's grace—forgiveness—life—salvation—by Baptism he Lord's Supper. A dinner in his honor by the who witnessed his Baptism—and four days later ent home—honorably discharged from military —but now a real soldier in the Church Militant he harvest is being gathered in—also in Service s.

They Saw a Need

Chaplain (DAC) Bruce Cumming

Some 4,700 orphans in and around Chonju, Cholla Pukto Province, Korea will soon have new rubber shoes because the First Battalion, Nineteenth Infantry Regiment happened to be stationed recently in the province. Besides, the children, living in seventeen Cholla Pukto orphanages, will have bright bowls to be used for milk and rice, new spoons, and towels for good measure.

Sparked by the leadership of Chaplain (1st Lt.) Martinus E. Silseth and encouraged by their commanding officer, Lt. Col. Cyrus J. Drew, these men of the Nineteenth Regiment's First Battalion contributed approximately $3,400 on payday of August 31 and through the month of September.

To promote the program Chaplain Silseth conducted a dozen fifty-man picnic tours from the camp to Chonju. Chief attractions of the tours were visits to the orphanages, to the refugees camps, to the Presbyterian mission station (which is administrating the fund in terms of purchase of the items and distribution to the orphans), to Korean historical sights, and to Korean hospitals.

The climax came when sixty orphans, faces shining and with their best bibs-and-tuckers, turned the tables and were given a tour picnic of the Nineteenth's camp on September 10. They were accompanied by the provincial governor of Cholla Pukto, the mayor of Chonju, and other notables—who thanked the Regiment on behalf of the seventeen orphanages aided. The youngsters put on dancing acts and also sang for the men.

Dinner that day looked a bit odd for an army camp, as each company entertained a group of little folks. On the send-off, the little ones were loaded with candy, cookies, balls, and chewing gum.

While a student at Luther Theological Seminary in St. Paul, Chaplain Silseth was intensely interested in welfare work and became known throughout the state for his efforts on behalf of the clothing drives for European refugees and for other welfare appeals. Upon his graduation in 1952, he entered the chaplaincy of the United States Army.

Sketches From a Summer Tour in Colombia

Thy Kingdom Come

(This article, illustrated by the author, is the first in a series.)

The Rev. F. W. T

Pastor F. W. Thomsen of Bethesda Lutheran Church at Moorhead, Iowa, and head of the art department at Dana College, Blair, Neb., has just returned to the United States after spending a profitable vacation in Colombia. We say "profitable" because his vacation proved of real value to our mission here in Colombia, together with whose literature committee Thomsen worked during the greater part of his stay on our field. He also gave us helpful advice on the interior decorating of our new church in Bogota.

Back in Medellin, after seeing some of the country, Artist Thomsen worked tirelessly for nearly a month on Bible illustrations to be used in our teaching here on the field, and on illustrations for church bulletins, not to say anything of the beautiful water colors that now adorn our walls. We like especially his remarkable St. Paul in Roman chains. The Colombians like to see his shepherds of Bethlehem in the typical Colombian "ruanas." Pastor Thomsen also gave unstintingly of his time and devotion to preaching and talks, interestingly illustrated by his own painting and drawings. We are grateful to him and to God for this encouraging co-operation and fellowship.

ARNFELD C. MORCK

Arrival

Six hours out of Miami—after stops at Havana, Cuba, and Kingston, Jamaica—the Pan-American plane on which I was travelling landed at Barranquilla, Colombia. It was high noon. Below was an expanse of dark blue sea, above was an expanse of deep blue sky; clouds towered above the plane, while below, the caps rolled towards the Colombian coast. This re me of the words of David:

The heavens declare the glory of God; and the ment showeth his handiwork.

Only one week before, Rojas Pinilla, general army, had taken over the government by militar ousting Laureano Gomez, the tyrannical and dic president. The unrest of a dark night of oppressi come to an end, and the people of Colombia w joicing. It was good to hear missionaries, busine taxicab drivers, people of the street, all speaking hope in Colombia.

I waited impatiently for my bags, which were t last to be examined. Two other American pass who had arrived on an earlier plane, were also t the Morcks here. They were Miss Hannah Olse Miss Margaret Homburg, both teachers from ton, Oregon. We were to travel together up th dalena River to Puerto Berrio and from there to lin with Pastor and Mrs. Arnfeld Morck, missi of the UELC, who were waiting for us as we customs.

We left the port with a swarm of porters to carry our bags. We took a taxi to the city t rows of adobe, wood, and brick Spanish-style most of them having ventilators in place of wi In contrast to these, there were many homes mo every way.

In downtown Barranquilla we boarded an op Soon we were riding over reasonably good hi and winding through narrow, sandy streets i villages where small straw-thatched cottages st hind wooden fences; smoke from kitchen fires through the thatch roofs; open doors revealed with scant furniture; naked children stared at t ing bus. Outside the villages stood wooden hills palm trees lifted their fronds high above the shrubs and trees; in the foreground were green lands where cattle grazed.

Mixed-breed cattle often blocked the highw ating an uproar of shouting, braking, and a kic one of the two assistant bus drivers. The b loaded with fun-loving Colombians. There was when we passed a mother standing by the r

We went for an evening stroll and watched the white-capped Caribbean waves breaking against the South American shore.

ng fleas out of her son's hair. One shouted, "Use !" Another suggested, "Burn it off!" Still another ed, "Use rat poison!" All laughed.

tering Cartagena the driver demonstrated his abil- weave through narrow streets, driving dangerous- se to many a solid object. At the Hotel Miramar, cious Spanish hostelry with a central open court, vish wedding was taking place as we checked in.

eld Morck and I went for an evening stroll along beach and watched the white-capped Caribbean s breaking, as they had for ages, against the South rican shore. Fishermen were gathered on the washing their nets in the light of the moon which just risen. Dugout canoes lined the beach; soon nen would be using them for night fishing.

ck at the hotel, the Morcks introduced their North rican guests to Colombian food. A typical dinner would ordinarily include a broth, a second course of fish, a third course of beef with rice and fried bananas, followed by coffee and cake with a very rich pudding.

After dinner we visited American missionary friends working in Cartagena. As we approached the house, which stood behind a wall and an iron gate, we were greeted by the angry barking of two large watch dogs. The dogs were called into the house, and shortly after a servant came to open the iron gates to admit us into the dimly lighted courtyard. In the home we met the missionary's wife who was living here alone while her husband was away, sometimes for weeks at a time, on missionary trips into the surrounding towns.

Back at the hotel once more, we gathered in one of the rooms to give thanks for a safe journey and to ask for God's guidance during travelling days ahead. Out in the patio the wedding fiesta continued. To the strains of South American music the first day ended.

hristmas Mail for Your Missionaries

tmas mail for your missionaries must be mailed to reach them before Christmas. There is nothing art warming for a missionary as a good pile of tmas mail from friends at home. If you send cards, just sign your name, write a personal note; it s so much more.

re is an approximate time schedule for mailing he addresses of our missionaries on the field. Air- postage to all of these countries is 25c per half except to Colombia which is 10c per half ounce rance which is 15c per half ounce.

gular mail: 5c per oz. to all countries, 3 per each onal oz.

cel post: Inquire at your post office. Parcel post ges must be well packed, plainly addressed, ed "gift, not for resale," and should not exceed unds weight.

would recommend periodicals of various types issionaries as very acceptable Christmas greetings.

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alen Home, Stoughton, Wis.

roup of "young folks," well in their 70's, 80's, and 90's, had a most enjoyable experience this summer n they were taken for a sightseeing tour and picnic Devil's Lake State Park, Baraboo. The caravan of ars, driven by members of Christ Lutheran Church, ied about 48 residents and ten staff members and e given a police escort.

nce the completion and occupation of the Home e and one half years ago, the need of furnishing chapel was a project that was uppermost in the ts of the residents and staff. Much thought, labor, er, and many gifts made the dedication of the el possible on Sunday, October 11. The message given and the rite of dedication was performed by Reverend S. T. Sorenson, former member of the rd of Charities from the California District and now lent chaplain at the Bethesda Home for the Aged, cago.

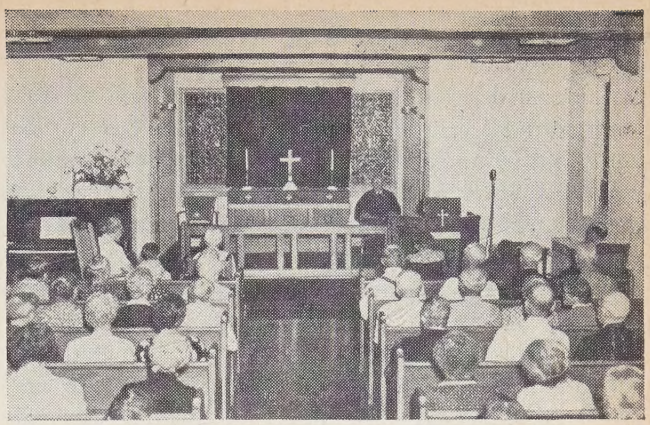
ne of the first projects undertaken by the newly nized Sunset Ladies Aid, composed of women resi- ts of the Skaalen Home, was to provide the material the dossal curtain, super frontal, fair linen, and pendium for the altar and pulpit in the chapel. y meet once a month in the "Kaffee Stue" of the me.

r. Alvin Everson, a life long Stoughton resident well known in the community, has been appointed the local board to assist the superintendent, Mr. S. Bragstad. He began his work at the Home Sep- ber 1. He is a member of Our Savior's Lutheran rch and a past president of the Madison Circuit heran Brotherhood.

oit Home, Ames, Iowa

ong-felt need finally materialized when work on the parsonage for the director and his family, the L. Jacobsons, was completed and dedication services e held on Sunday afternoon, October 4. The Rev. Gjellstad, pastor of Decorah Lutheran Church, orah, Iowa, and a member of the local board, the festival speaker. The Rev. Olaf Holen, pastor Salem Lutheran Church, Roland, Iowa, dedicated parsonage. Many friends and former residents par- ated in this service and attended the Open House ch followed.

he fall issue of the *Beloit Lutheran,* a publication he Home, carries several pages of pictures of the ler Boys' Farm, a contract annuity project given



Chapel of the Skaalen Home at Stoughton

by Arthur and Viola Butler, Northwood, Iowa. A local committee has been appointed to assist in formulating plans to put this project into operation by next summer.

Two of the boys from the Home were selected to go with six others on a canoe trip near Ely, Minnesota, this summer. Ozzie Anderson and Bob Evans, seminarians, made all arrangements and supervised the outing.

Homme Home, Wittenberg, Wis.

Mr. Oscar Skibenes on October 1 assumed charge at Homme Children's Home as director of the Wittenberg and Eau Claire cottages. Mr. Skibenes has been with the Polk County Welfare Department, Crookston, Minnesota, for nineteen years, fourteen of which he served as executive secretary. He is a graduate of the University of North Dakota where he took special courses in social work, child welfare casework, and public administration. He is married and has three children: Roderick, 22, New York City; Roger, 15; and Doris Mae, 6.

The Lutheran Children's Cottage, Eau Claire, held its third annual Open House on Sunday afternoon, October 18. Mrs. Lavinia Anderson is the resident head.

Of Welfare Interest

The Reverend I. M. Thvedt was installed as pastor to the deaf and blind at the Ephphatha Church Mission, Faribault, Minnesota, October 4.

Installation services for the Reverend Oliver Bergeland, formerly the director of Homme Children's Home, Wittenberg, Wisconsin, were held at First Lutheran Church, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, on Sunday evening, October 18. He assumed his duties the middle of August.

The seventeenth annual dinner and meeting of the Lutheran Welfare Society of Wisconsin was held at Bethel Lutheran Church, Madison, Wisconsin, on October 21. The Rev. Raymond Olson, director of stewardship, spoke.

EDIT

No Change for the Better

A concerned reader has written asking us to offer some editorial comment on the concordat (treaty) between the Vatican and the government of Spain. It will be recalled that such a document was signed and became operative August 27. Our correspondent is evidently concerned about things he has been reading (a) concerning alleged strictures on worship of non-Roman Catholics in Spain, and (b) regarding our foreign policy over against Spain.

There is really very little which needs to be said about the concordat; it follows the plan of previous similar arrangements between the Vatican and Spain and seems to differ little from like concordats the Roman Church has with other countries where Roman Catholics predominate. If we quote the first two articles, we will have given the nub of the matter: "The Roman Catholic Apostolic Religion continues to be the only religion of the Spanish nation, and shall enjoy the rights and prerogatives which belong to it in accordance with Divine Law and Canon Law." "The Spanish State recognizes that the Catholic Church has the character of a perfect society, and guarantees to it the free and full exercise of its spiritual power and its jurisdiction, as well as the free and public exercise of worship."

There is really very little in the concordat which directly touches on the place of Protestants in Spain. It is provided that the situation in respect to non-Roman Catholic Christians shall remain the same as it has been. That means that, at least in theory, Protestants are permitted to carry on private worship in buildings which give no indication by their architecture or by signs that they are places of Christian worship. It also means that no non-Roman Catholic is permitted to take any steps to propagate his faith. It means that his children must attend schools completely dominated by the favored Church. It means that he will constantly be subject to embarrassment and harassment. It means, in short, that the non-Roman Catholic is now, as he has been for centuries, an inferior type of citizen.

The important point, therefore, is not that a new concordat between the Vatican and Spain has been signed. The important point is that there is no sign that Rome has changed. Where she dominates, there is complete mingling of Church and State, with as little consideration as is humanly possible for anyone not under her domination. It makes no difference whether it is in Spain or in Portugal, in Italy or in Latin America: where the Roman Church dominates, anyone who dissents from her is in for constant trouble.

Interestingly enough, the true stand of the Roman Church on tolerance came in for an airing which have been embarrassing, not long before the con with Spain was signed. American members of th man hierarchy have been at great pains to demon that they are all for separation of Church and and that the increasing power of Rome in An constitutes no threat to our American ideals of fre Some months ago a prominent theologian, a car made an address at the Pontifical University John Lateran in Rome in which he upheld the bi of Spain in their contention that Spain should n a Roman Catholic country, grant freedom of p ganda to religious faiths other than Roman Cathol

The New York *Times* requested the Vatican statement clarifying this address. In reply the V stated that there was nothing "exceptionable" what the cardinal said, that is, nothing to whic Vatican could take exception. Thus it is demons again that the stand of the Roman Church is as always been: In countries where her people minority, by all means separation of Church and must be upheld and tolerance insisted upon; else chance is there for her to become dominant? Bu is only a counsel of expediency; where Rome rule rules not only the consciences of men but the St well.

As though to place an exclamation point after we have written, a document has recently come t desk which makes the situation of the Protesta a Roman Catholic country crystal clear. It comes Colombia, South America. Two Protestant boys of a widow, were forcibly seized and placed in a R Catholic orphanage. One of them escaped twic returned to his mother, only to be seized again b police. The reason given was that the mothe "hindering the religious development" of her ch by her Protestant heresy. The appeals of the wid the judge who had authorized the seizure (at t quest of a priest), to the police, to army auth and to the governor were of no avail. It was only the Evangelical Confederation of Colombia creat insistent uproar against the kidnapping that the was forced to authorize the return of the child their mother. These facts are completely authenti Not only do we have a lengthy story from *Rel News Service* authenticating them, but also a le document giving names and places, issued by the gelical Confederation.

We hardly need to stress the obvious: The ne

between Rome and Spain simply points up what n-Roman Catholic must ever forget. The Roman lic Church does not change. She remains the 's strongest totalitarianism.

"Beyond Today"

THE EDITOR'S BOOKSHELF

about the handicapped abound. And there are ain number of splendid books *by* the handicapped ll. These are, however, as a rule by those whose cap, while severe, is not almost totally crippling. some splendid books have been written by blind To find a book written by a spastic paralytic, er, is something out of the ordinary. A person as this form of handicap in an advanced degree t as a rule write; in fact, very often he has diffi- in making himself understood even orally, not to writing.

the Editor's Bookshelf comes a book written by a handicapped person: *Beyond Today,* by Rolf assen.*

author has been a spastic paralytic all his life. cks muscular co-ordination in a very high degree; ifficult for him to speak so that people can under- him; he cannot walk. Yet this "hopeless cripple" arned to use a typewriter with speed and accuracy; the zither well; is one of Norway's prominent rs, whose work is greatly in demand and com- high prices; and is today a teacher of art in a ment school for the disabled. Incidentally, he is y married.

ond Today is Rolf Thomassen's autobiography. e quite safe in predicting that no one who takes three hours to read this volume will ever forget s the simple story of a man who is, first of all, ly consecrated Christian with a faith which leaves most breathless; who has much more than average ctual and artistic ability; and who has indomitable o overcome obstacles which are all but insur- able. He places his paint brush in his mouth xecutes beautiful paintings. He devises a harness makes it possible for him to use the motion of ver jaw to manipulate a stick which in turn de- the keys of his typewriter. The plectrum for her is held in his mouth.

let us say that this book is first and foremost lf-story of a man whose Christian faith, coupled with native ability, coupled with indomitable will makes it possible for him to overcome obstacles to such an extent that his life is rich and full.

But there is more than that to be said. The psychologist will be interested in more subtle battles won. The spirit limited by a disabled body is, as Thomassen says, "a caged eagle." He is introspective enough to analyze what might be called "the psychology of invalidism." Perhaps the greatest battle to be won is against self-pity. There have been points in Thomassen's life when the valley was so deep as to be a fraction less than total despair. But there have been mountain tops very close to heaven, too.

The translation from the Norwegian could have been smoother; Norwegianisms do creep in and there is an attempt at being too literal in translation. However, those defects are not really so very serious because the sweep of the book carries the reader along and he is soon quite unaware that those who rendered it into English were themselves not quite at home in the language they were using.

This book will help everyone understand the disabled and handicapped better. It will encourage those who are themselves among the physical "cripples" of the world. But above all it will reveal the power of Christ, for Thomassen makes it abundantly clear that his sufficiency is in Him.

Today, by Rolf Thomasssen. Translated from the Norwegian by Torgrim a Hannaas. Augsburg Publishing House, Minneapolis. 163 pages. Cloth. . $2.50.

Religion on State Street

A chance walk down State Street in Chicago recently netted an interesting sight. On one side of the street a theatre was showing the Martin Luther film. Almost exactly opposite another theatre was showing "The Robe." Here, then, were two of Chicago's largest moving picture theatres displaying films which are distinctly and uncompromisingly Christian in content. It was a Sunday evening that we happened by. The crowds lined up in front of both theatres were large, indicating, no doubt, sell-out audiences. We did not happen to see whether there were as many people waiting on week nights, but the Chicago press indicated that this was the case.

Comment? No so very much. This however: the old Hollywood "rule of thumb" that good pictures, not to say distinctly religious pictures, just aren't good "box office" is certainly out of the window. Also this: when such distinctly Christian pictures do appear, they may well have the support of Christian people. After all, there is little sense in railing at the poor unless we support the good. And finally this: Christians can greatly influence what shall appear on the theatre screen and the T-V screen. Let those in charge know what you want; there is a fair chance that you'll get it.

Refugee center in Berlin for German children, supported by Christians in Stockholm, Sweden

Dining room in the children's building

Mothers with children are given opportunity to prepare food in relief centers

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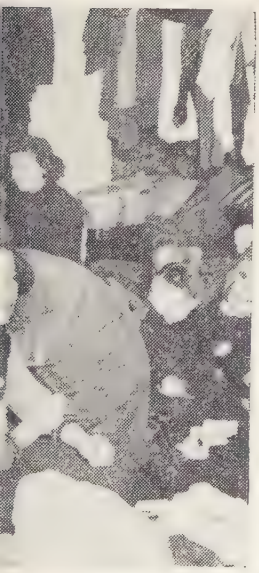

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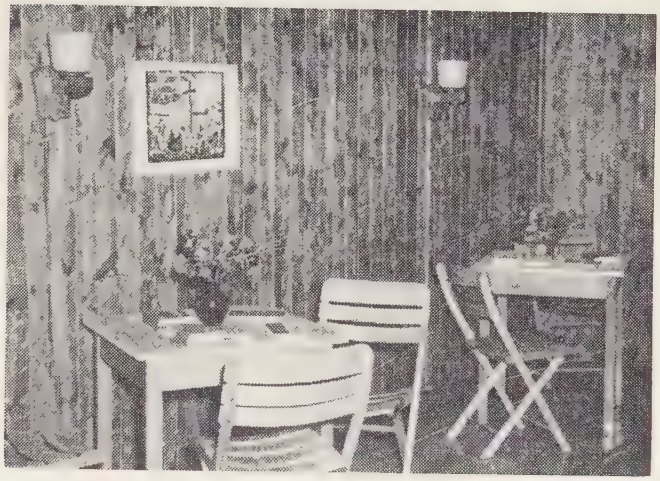
This building is also provided for refugees by Swiss Christians



The rooms in the Swiss building are both useful and attractive

Both temporal and spiritual help is offered those in need

Our Faith Which Relies on That Word

Harold B. Kildahl

THE TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
November 15, 1953
Text: Matthew 9:18-26

In one of his sermons, Dr. Martin Luther speaks at length regarding the two elements essential to salvation. To paraphrase his expressions and thoughts, I should like to suggest that only when a blessed meeting occurs can there be true salvation. It is the meeting of our faith and the Word of God. It is the Word, the Word of creative power, the Word of miraculous healing, the Word of gracious forgiveness, the Word of love and mercy and compassion, the Word of comfort and strength that is the very foundation on which the Christian faith and the Church rest. "The Word alone" is one of the pillars of our doctrine; and yet another, "Faith alone"—these meet in the text for this day.

It was trusting faith that constrained the woman to speak within herself the assurance of His power. It was trusting faith that drew the nobleman to the side of Christ and that constrained from his heart that prayer of reliance on the power of Christ. And it is always thus in the relationship of souls to Christ—faith relying on His Word.

Years have passed since that meeting in the text. Generations have come and gone. Yet, through the years, there have been countless millions, a myriad multitude of men and women who have found the Word of God sufficient for their lives and souls. And in our day as well, millions are bound together, in faith and in reliance on the Word and promise of God.

We are tempted at times to think and say, "But today, where is real faith?" Again, we are inclined to say, "Is there any real Christianity, any real Christian faith today?" It is not given to men to test and judge the hearts of others. As God has said long ago—and surely it is true—man has a tendency to judge the outward parts, while God alone looks into the hearts of men. It is the heart, where faith dwells, where trust is found, where one can and surely must lay up the Word of God. It is the heart where faith and the Word of God have their blessed meeting, and the results are always astonishing.

The results in the text were astonishing. Such things seemingly do not happen today. But other and just as astonishing results are seen today. The drunkard ceases from his cups, the loosely tongued woman guards her words, the disobedient child becomes a loving friend, the home becomes a place of peace and rest, and the soul of a sinner is saved. It happens when the blessed meeting of the Word of God and our faith which relies on that Word of God is a reality. Amen.

The Killing Range of the Big Church

Philip S. D

It was startling to hear a prominent church l
speaking about the "killing range of the big chu
When the phrase first passed his lips, I wondered
he really meant. He explained that many a s
Christian congregation, especially in a smaller cit
directly kills off other Christian congregations i
surrounding rural areas. For example, a strong Lu
an church in a thriving smaller city may grow to
a size and proportion that the smaller rural church
or five miles out may eventually die. The real tra
is that in many cases the surrounding area becon
pocket of unchurched people.

Recent studies show that there are many pock
unchurched rural people just outside cities with s
churches. Some of these are in places where
there was a thriving smaller rural congregation v
was not able to withstand the competition of the l
sister congregation. In other words, the rural cong
tion died, but the larger church failed to suppl
need.

This poses a problem, not least for the ELC. We
many situations where the city congregation has g
to such proportions that they have a good ch
strong Sunday school, and an unusually appealing
gram in every way. The rural church a few mile
of town suffers by comparison and gradually re
less and less attention from the pastor in town,
once divided his time about equally between the

But the fault is not necessarily that of the l
congregation nor of the pastor. The reason why
been comparatively easy for the larger congregati
notify the smaller rural church that it can no l
expect services as in the past is because so ofte
smaller church has not carried its proper share c
pastoral load. Indeed, some may want a full progra
services from the pastor but are reluctant to pa
more than a small fraction of the pastor's salary.

If, on the other hand, the stewardship in the sr
congregation is maintained at a proper level an
congregation continues to pay a proper share o
pastor's salary, the larger congregation will not fi
so easy to slough them off. In some cases the
congregation will be more than happy to work o
arrangement whereby an associate pastor is called
can serve the rural congregation while also ass
in the city. In fact, financial help by the rural c
gation may be just what is needed so that the
congregation feels free to call an associate.

editations for the Family Altar

Joel Njus

TOWARD THE TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

pistle: I Thess. 4:13-18 — The Gospel: Matt. 24:15-28

Monday, November 16
ONE WHO HEARD
Read Acts 16:1-24

who heard us was a woman named from the city of Thyatira, a seller ple goods, who was a worshipper d. The Lord opened her heart to eed to what was said by Paul.

have no record of the number of that were gathered outside of the Paul preached his first sermon on ean soil. But there is every reason eve that the number was not great. o we have any account of a mass sion following the sermon. But the of at least one was opened, and d her household believed and were ed. The emphasis of Scripture upon ne reminds us that each soul is is in the sight of God. God deals lually and personally with each soul. ngdom is extended one by one. The kingdom work is not to be found alling the numbers one has been ged to preach to, but in recalling ndividual and that individual whose the Lord opened to heed the mes- f salvation.

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Tuesday, November 17
A JAILER IS SET FREE
Read Acts 16:25-40

"Men, what must I do to be saved?" And they said, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household."

The jailer was asleep while the prisoners listened to Paul and Silas praying and singing hymns to God. There was a change in the prison that night. There is no other explanation possible to account for the presence of everyone when the prison doors were open and every man free to go if he wished. The jailer woke up to something absolutely new in his experience. He was aware that a power had been at work in his prison that was able to change lives. And all at once he was aware of his need also. He awoke to the realization that though the jailer, he was a criminal. He needed to be set free and saved. How simply the men of God answer his cry for help, "Believe in the Lord Jesus." He is the one who can save you and your house.

Dear God, we thank Thee for the good news of salvation through faith in Jesus.

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Wednesday, November 18
MANY JEWS BELIEVE
Read Acts 17:1-15

Now these Jews were more noble than those in Thessalonica, for they received the word with all eagerness, examining the scriptures daily to see if these things were so. Many of them therefore believed. . . .

This is a part of the missionary work of Paul that is often overlooked. He was indeed in a special sense the "Apostle to the Gentiles" in that he worked mostly in countries that contained only a small per cent of Jewish people. But Paul never by-passed even those few. In fact, they were his usual first point of contact. Nor was his ministry among them unfruitful. "Charter members" in many of the congregations he began included both Jew and Gentile. Too often in the years that followed, the Jew was passed by as if the Gospel were not intended for him. Paul's success among the Jews should encourage us to approach them just as confidently as we approach any other segment of our population.

Dear God, help us as a Church to bring the message of Jesus also to the Jews. Amen.

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Thursday, November 19
ARE YOU TRYING?
Read Acts 17:16-34

some men joined him and believed, them Dionysius and Areopagite woman named Damaris and others them.

eems that Paul had not planned to Athens a center for his work at this but merely stayed there awaiting rival of Silas and Timothy. His ot to preach the Gospel on Mars as been called a failure. If so, God us more failures! For here too, ad results. Dionysius, one of the men of the city, was converted. oint we should note is that Paul tried to reach the people about And there always were results. A survey shows that in witnessing to people succeeded in proportion as ried. Paul's success as a witness for was directly related to this: he never rying. Christ will draw people to if you show Him to people.

God, help us speak to others Jesus and leave the results to Thee. Thee are no failures. Amen.

Friday, November 20
GOD IS IN CONTROL
Read Philippians 1:1-20

I want you to know, brethren, that what has happened to me has really served to advance the gospel. . . .

Paul writes these words from prison. It must have come as a hard blow to the Christians in Europe to hear that their spiritual leader was behind bars. Surely this marked a victory for the forces of evil and a defeat for the cause of Christ. But Paul says, "No, that is not the case at all. What has happened to me has really served to advance the Gospel." His imprisonment had brought the name of Christ to the attention of the whole government. Rather than discouraging others, it had made them much more bold to speak the Word of God. So often we jump to hasty conclusions as to success and failure. There is no failure with God. Satan is faced with this fact: Let the children of God live, and they spread the Gospel in their living; put them to death, and in dying their witness is heard around the world. This knowledge gives courage and patience in times of suffering.

Saturday, November 21
AVOID STUPID CONTROVERSIES
Read II Timothy 2:1-26

Have nothing to do with stupid, senseless controversies; you know that they breed quarrels.

Frank debate on important subjects is one thing, but stupid controversies are quite another. And I am afraid that much that causes quarrels and ill will between believers must be classified under the latter heading. Even among pastoral groups nothing evokes as much spirited discussion as some matters quite removed from God's Word and the content of our faith. Congregations have been destroyed fighting over everything from church suppers to the attire of the pastor in the pulpit. No matter what side you take in a stupid controversy, the results are evil. Happy the man who has learned to keep his mouth shut in foolish disputes. If new fuel is not added to a fire, it soon burns itself out. The best side in many a dispute is outside of it altogether.

Dear God, keep us close to Thy Word and preserve us from stupid controversies that lead to quarrels and strife. Amen.

This Is a "Hope" Movement

Oscar A. Anderson

There are so-called "faith movements" within the Church. Yet every endeavor in Christ's Church is built on faith. No portion of the Kingdom program can continue without faith.

Perhaps some Christian activities could more exactly be called "hope movements." Webster defines hope as "the source of happy expectation." This, we believe, is precisely what the Luther League in our Church is—a hope movement of "happy expectation."

Through the Luther League we happily expect to keep youth in Christ and in the Church. We expect youth to be won for the Lord and kept for eternity. We expect a generation grounded in the Word of God and capable of facing life's problems from the Christian viewpoint. We expect church members trained in leadership and practiced in the Christian virtues. We expect a growing edge of united, informed, willing, and happy Christians.

Such is our hope, our happy expectation. It is for these reasons alone that the Young People's Luther League maintains a church-wide youth program, prints youth materials, promotes Bible camps and conventions, trains through leadership schools and conferences, advises individuals and groups, and employs a staff of youth workers.

All of this activity is kept alive by hope, too—the happy expectation that our Leagues of youth, our pastors and adult counselors, as well as our congregations, will support the movement with the means necessary to carry on. *Youth in Action, which makes possible the activities of the Young People's Luther League, is a real need just now.* But as we reveal this fact, it is with the confidence borne from Scripture that "hope does not disappoint us because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit which has been given to us."

It is our faith, working through love, which will keep this hope movement going!

Christmas Mail

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NEW BIBLE STORY FILMS AVAILABLE

Fifteen more films from the "Living Bible Serie been added to the ELC Films library, to comp series of twenty-six short Bible films produced by Films.

The new titles include the *Birth of John the Bap* minutes, *Childhood of Jesus*—15 minutes, *Ministry the Baptist*—20 minutes, *First Disciples*—15 minute *and the Fishermen*—15 minutes, *Thy Sins Are For* 15 minutes, *Jesus Lord of the Sabbath*—15 minut *Transfiguration*—20 minutes, *Jesus Teaches Forgi* 15 minutes, *Before Abraham Was I Am*—20 m *Jesus Heals the Man Born Blind*—20 minutes, *I Resurrection*—20 minutes, *Last Journey to Jerusa* minutes, *The Crucifixion*—20 minutes, and *Nicod* 20 minutes.

The twenty-minute films rent for $6.50 and the minute films for $5.00; all are filmed in black and These films are especially recommended for churc assemblies and classes and are acceptable also for worship. Each adheres closely to the Biblical accou the series used in its entirety makes a complete a detailed study of the life of Christ. A descriptive available upon request.

Faith of Our Family, produced by Concordia, is up of *Bible on the Table*, and is an excellent e on the various ways of conducting the family number of problems are brought forth, and accepta tions are reached as to how to worship when t small children and/or teen-agers in the family, how worship when one is alone, and how to choose time for family worship. This film, black and w minutes—$11.50, has been highly recommended.

The Christmas listing will soon be ready, and mailing is being prepared that will contain a w Christmas material. If you do not receive one of th ful packets, send your request to ELC FILMS, 5 4th Street, Minneapolis 1, Minnesota.

ere and There on the Christian Front

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I WARNS AGUENESS

arning against lessening the re- s influence in campus life to ue interdenominationalism" was l at Gainesville, Fla., by Rabbi r J. Lelyveld of New York, na- director of the B'nai B'rith Hil- undation.

e need a healthy multi-sectarian- that deeply committed and deep- icated Jews will share with equal- nmitted and educated Protestants oman Catholics the rich spiritual ge of our variant faiths," said the . His warning was made at a ony dedicating a new $66,000 re- s center for Jewish students on mpus of the University of Flor-

RCHES IN FIC ISLANDS

e large Protestant churches have ly been opened in the Pacific Is- groups of Samoa, the Fijis, and ongas that lie midway between ii and Australia. The newest of is the great "mother church" for an Methodists at Apia, which was ated during a week-long celebra- early in October.

Suva, Holy Trinity Cathedral of nglican Diocese of Polynesia was crated last May 5 and earlier in ear a new 3,000-seat Methodist h, said to be the largest in the e Southern Hemisphere, was d at Tongatabu in the Tongas. dication of the 1,200-seat concrete h at Apia, built and financed y by the Samoans themselves, was ed by a big celebration. The Sa- Methodist Church, with a mem- p of over 14,000, represents about rcent of that island group's popu- , most of it on the two main is- of Upola and Tuttuila.

e three closely-knit island groups mong the world's most Christian-

TEMPERANCE STAMP

RNS Photo

The National Temperance League is planning a new campaign against Christmas drinking through the sale of half a million stamps, like the one shown here, for use in mailing. Clayton Wallace, director of the League, calls the stamps "a new approach" to combat Christmas drinking parties which are held each year in offices and homes.

ized areas—the Fiji islanders being about 99 per cent Christians and the Samoans 98 per cent.

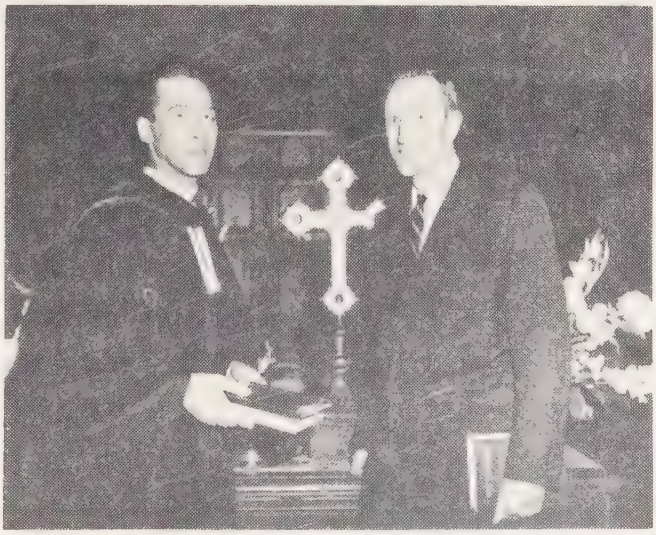
METHODISTS SPEAK ON LIQUOR

President Eisenhower has been asked by 500 Methodist leaders attending a three-day Citizenship Convocation in Washington, D. C., to rescind a recent army directive allowing the sale of alcoholic beverages on military reservations. The resolution said, "We urge the President out of his wealth of experience and deep Christian convictions to consider whether such a directive permitting sale of intoxicants will effect good results among the men in uniform, and whether or not it will actually increase moral problems we now face."

The executive secretary of the temperance board lauded the President for his personal stand on temperance, observing that "no liquor is being served at private or public functions at the White House." (At the White House, a spokesman said, the only alcoholic beverages served since last January 20 have been light wines at diplomatic dinners where protocol requires the drinking of toasts.)

Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam, in a keynote address, called on The Methodist Church to lead a national crusade against beer, wine, and liquor advertising. He declared that "proper con-

OBSERVING LAYMEN'S SUNDAY



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Among the prominent laymen across the country who filled church pulpits on Laymen's Sunday was John D. Rockefeller III (right), who preached at the Bronxville, N. Y., Reformed Church. With him is the minister of the church, Dr. Lowell R. Ditzen. According to Wallace C. Speers, chairman of the Laymen's Movement for a Christian World, which sponsors the annual observance, an estimated 100,000 Protestant churches in the nation participated in Laymen's Sunday.

trols must be set up in order to protect the American home from this invasion by liquor advertising."

RESCIND TAX ASSESSMENT

Church property rented as a community service should not be taxed. This is the ruling of the tax appeals court of Baltimore County, Maryland. State Supervisor of Assessments Howard E. Burkhardt has issued an order placing assessments on ten Protestant church properties after the county board of education had rented the properties for classroom use to overcome a shortage of school facilities.

The county commissioners had opposed the assessments, although they have no control over them. The president of the commissioners had pointed out that the churches had made their premises available to civic authorities in a spirit of public service, that the rentals were small, and, in any case, they "probably will be more than offset by damage likely to be done by the children."

The county board of education said the buildings had made possible full-time school facilities for 5,058 pupils who otherwise would have to be placed on half-day sessions.

LUTHERAN MEMBERSHIP

Membership of the Lutheran Churches in America reached a total of 6,673,945 persons in 1952, an increase of three per cent over the previous year, according to the Division of Public Relations of the National Lutheran Council. Third largest among Protestant denominational groups in America, the Lutherans are exceeded in numbers only by the Baptists and Methodists. Of the total, 188,163 Lutherans are in Canada.

For the eighth consecutive year the highest numerical increase was made by the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, with a gain of 61,088 baptized members. The Evangelical Lutheran Church for the seventh straight year showed the greatest advance on a percentage basis, with a gain of 3.9 per cent, among the major bodies. The American Lutheran Church increased its membership 3.8 per cent, Augustana Lutheran Church 3.0 per cent, United Lutheran Church in America, 2.1 per cent.

Expenditures by the local churches showed an upswing in all phases of congregational finances. The c devoted $172,228,042 to local e an increase of nearly $10 milli 1951. Contributions to church large rose to $52,950,194, an of over $12 million. In 1951 th been a decrease in this item.

REMAINS OF LUTHER ELM

NLC Photo

A gnarled stump is all that remains of the 450-year-old elm, famed in legend as Luther's tree, in the parish of Worms-Pfiffligheim in Germany. Now girdled by concrete molded to look like wood, the tree will soon become a lasting monument to the 16th century reformer. A bas-relief of Luther before the Diet of Worms will be sunk into the part of the trunk which faces the highway.

WORTHY OF NOTE . . .

The Tacoma (Wash.) schoo has voted to ask Attorney Gene Eastvold for an opinion on the of released-time religious instru public schools, following a boar ber's opposition to the present . . . American consumption of a beverages reached an all-time 1952, an amount of 18.86 gall capita. This is about one pint per person than in 1951. . . . men are playing an important an experimental project initiate Kenya government to reclaim natives "contaminated" by the ings of the terrorist Mau Ma government's policy is to use w grams, religious education, a cipline in an effort to overco Mau Mau influence, refit the c cupants for a life of orderly citiz and train them to teach their tribesmen what they have lear

DEMOTION FOR CHAPLAINCY

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The Rev. Harman N. Kennickell of Washington, D. C. (left), cheerfully accepts grade demotion from Commander to Lieutenant, Jr. Grade, as he is sworn into th Navy's Chaplain Corps. Handing him his bars is Chaplain (Rear Adm.) Edward Naval Chief of Chaplains. A veteran of World War II, Chaplain Kennickell c serving in the Naval Reserve while studying for the ministry at the Virginia The Seminary in Alexandria. On the same day he was ordained a clergyman in the P Episcopal Church, he was transferred to the Chaplains Corps where his enteri had to be three grades lower.

hools and Colleges

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BEGINS CONSTRUCTION OF NEW DORMITORIES

October 14, the fifty-ninth anni- y of the founding of Pacific Lu- College, ground was broken for ew dormitories. Speaker for the vas Dr. Philip E. Hauge, dean egistrar of the college. Miss Mar- D. Wickstrom, dean of women, Mr. Leslie O. Eklund, dean of urned the first spades of earth e dormitories.

nstruction men came on the scene diately after the groundbreaking he work of building got under The buildings are being con- d simultaneously, and the con- calls for the completion by Sep- r 1, 1954. Together they will 250 students.

two structures—a dormitory for n and another for men—consti- million dollar building program. will be Class A fireproof struc- with steel frames, concrete floor and masonry walls. The exterior will match that of the other new ngs on the campus.

PUS NEWS NOTES

on F. Grinaker, assistant football basketball coach, has been ap- d head basketball coach at *Con- College,* President J. L. Knut- as announced.

Christiansen, who has been football and basketball mentor, ed his basketball position when ities as head football coach and han of the department of physi- ucation became too heavy with creasing enrollment of the col-

Grinaker is a Concordia gradu- 1948 and received his master's from Colorado State College of tion in 1949. Since that time he en assistant to Jake Christiansen.

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ers for the annual Spiritual Em- week on the *Luther College* campus October 26-31 were Dr. Marcus Rieke, youth director of the American Lutheran Church, and the Reverend Arndt L. Halvorson, pastor of University Lutheran Church of Hope in Minneapolis.

Centering their message about the theme, "Ambassadors for Christ," the speakers appeared at two services daily —the morning chapel and the evening vesper.

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The Rev. Reuben Youngdahl, pastor of Mount Olivet Lutheran Church in Minneapolis, was the first speaker in this year's careers counseling program at *St. Olaf College*, Northfield. He spoke on the topic, "Choosing a Vocation," introducing a series of six seminars which will follow during the coming school year.

Serving on the faculty this year at *Augustana Academy* under the Exchange Teacher Program is Rolf W. Petterson of Norway. He comes from Gressvik, Pr. Fredrickstad and is a graduate of the University of Oslo with the degree of Candidate of Philology. He is teaching French and Norwegian.

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Augustana College was host to faculty members from forty Lutheran colleges in the United States on its campus in Sioux Falls recently. It was the annual meeting of the Association of Lutheran Faculty Conference which is composed of all synods of the Lutheran Church. Highlight of the conference was an address by Ernest Hollis, Chief of Collegiate Administration, U. S. Office of Education.

NEW DORMITORIES UNDER CONSTRUCTION

Pictured above is an architect's sketch of the new women's dormitory which will be constructed on the campus of Pacific Lutheran College. This structure will house 130 women.

This building is one of the two new dormitories to be constructed on the campus of Pacific Lutheran College. This dormitory will house 120 men.

Correspondence

CHURCH BELL NEEDED IN TAIWAN

►I wonder if you will be willing to do us a small favor by advertising in the HERALD our request for a church bell. We are just completing reconstruction of church property here in Taipei and would be happy if we could have a bell to sound the call to worship. To get one here is impossible, for financial as well as other reasons. I know that there are churches in the States that are not using their bells anymore. If such a congregation would be willing to send us its bell, it would have the satisfaction of knowing that the cause of heralding the Gospel would be served on the other side of the world by their generosity.

Actually we could use an almost unlimited number of such bells, providing that they are not so large that they demand heavy construction and support. Half a dozen congregations here on Taiwan could use them now, and there will be others later on. It might be well if an announcement in the HERALD would instruct parties willing to donate bells to write to me at the address below.

We have been here a year and a half now, and after a rough summer are enjoying relatively cool weather. The fall program is moving again. I hope to have a full report of our work here to you before the end of the year.

(DR.) ARNE SOVIK
Lane 51, House 10, Section 2,
North Chung, Shan Road
Taipei, Taiwan

CHRISTMAS KNOCKS AT OUR DOORS!

►The Seattle Seamen's Center held its annual fal house on October 11. It was a beautiful Sunday afte People came early and were sauntering through the ing, visiting the cozy, homey rooms at the hotel a festive lounge where the Seamen's Society was coffee. In the chapel, offices, and mail and infor booth, smiling faces greeted the visitors, and an questions about the work of the Mission. In a sett gay October flowers a musical program was rende the attractive reading room. Each year new frien made who rejoice with us that The Evangelical Lu Church has established this "home away from hom our seamen.

And now Christmas knocks at the doors! What a season to bring to these men coming in here from swept seas and billowing ocean the Message of the of Christmas who came in love to seek and to save

Through the personal gifts from the women a our Church, another tangible proof is given of the i we as a Church have always had in the men of t Let us remember them again this year with our gif greetings.

Christmas finds many of these seamen in hospit port awaiting call, on ships in the harbor, and at the For the ships which will be on high seas over Chr the Seamen's pastor has already brought Christmas thanks to our many Christian friends. Will you help Christ and Christmas to the men of the sea? The is: Seattle Seamen's Center, 107 Columbia Street, Se Wash.

(THE REV.) HARALD SIQUELAND, S Seattle, Wash.

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PERSONS

Miss Rubell Hagen has joined the staff in the Division of Parish Education, Department of Christian Education, to serve as a consultant for teachers and officers of church schools and as a speaker at Christian education institutes arranged by parishes, singly or in groups.

Dr. C. S. Thorpe is serving as interim pastor of Our Saviour's Church, Montevideo, Minn.

The Rev. Clifford O. Larson has resigned his pastorate in Emmanuel Church, Longview, Wash., to begin organizing a new congregation in the Clairemont area of San Diego, Calif. Parish worker in this new field will be **Miss Lorraine Solberg** a member of the Longview parish. She is the fourth of the young women of this parish to enter full time Christian service.

Dr. Martin Anderson, president of the Eastern District since 1937, has announced that he will resign as district president at the next general convention of The Evangelical Lutheran Church, to be held in June 1954. At that time one year will remain of his present term of office. He gives as his reasons for resigning at the time indicated his doctor's advice of a somewhat less strenuous schedule and the exigencies of the Church union situation.

The Rev. Erling R. Jacobson has resigned his pastorate in Trinity Church, Moorhead, Minn., to begin in January the establishing of a new church in Chula Vista, Calif.

The Rev. and Mrs. Arthur S. Johnson were honored by Ezekiel Church, River Falls, Wis., at a special celebration Oct. 25 in observance of the wedding anniversary, and wer sented a number of gifts. Sp were the Rev. H. P. Nordby, Ba Wis., Mrs. Geo. Kind, presid the Ezekiel Ladies Aid, L. K. son, chairman of the Board o cons, and G. P. Helgeson, who on behalf of the city of River H

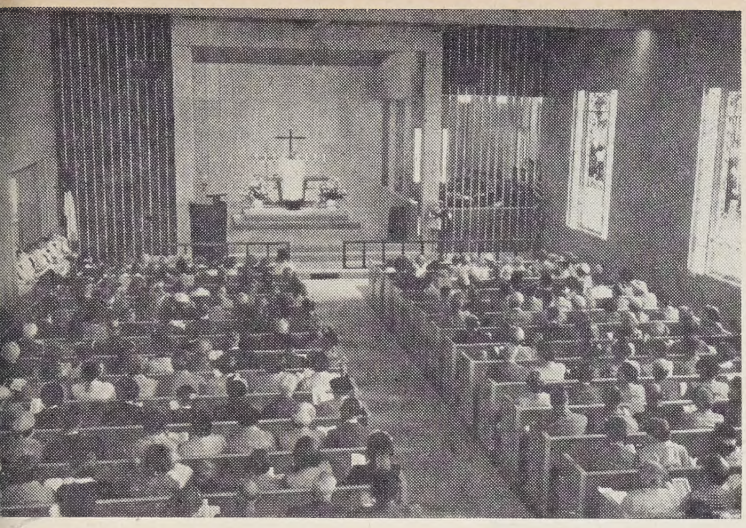
DISTRICTS

Eastern

Brooklyn, N. Y. Trinity Chur served Oct. 18 as "Appreciatio day," with offerings for the rec of the indebtedness on the Si Memorial Building. Dr. Fredr Schiotz preached at the forenoo ice of the Norwegian section the evening service held jointly English and the Norwegian s At the two English forenoon s the preacher was the Rev. L. Nielsen, Teaneck, N. J. The of Trinity Church are Wallace Ivar Aas, and Johan A. Bergh.

Muskegon, Mich. Our Sav Church, parish of the Rev. Gronberg, has recently celebrat 70th anniversary, culminating

NEW CHURCH AT GRAFTON, N. DAK., DEDICATED



nond jubilee celebrations at
n Church, Grafton, N. Dak., be-
t. 9 and culminated in dedica-
t. 11 of the congregation's new
0 church building by Dr. L. E.
on, president of the North Da-
istrict. Other speakers were Dr.
Glenn and Dr. H. O. Shurson,
f them earlier pastors of the
Several of the other former pas-
the congregation (now de-
were represented by members
families. The church, as well as its adjoining educational unit, is built according to a modified contemporary design. Its nave seats about 600, a number that may be much enlarged by opening doors to an adjoining fellowship room. The educational building contains 23 class rooms in addition to offices and other utility rooms. A memorial pipe organ given by the G. H. Lykken family will be installed early in 1954. The present pastor is the Rev. T. H. Megorden.

ion of its new church, built in
style. Participating in the fes-
were three former pastors of
rish: Arthur M. Knudsen, A.
Hetland, and Dr. Arthur H.
he last named officiating at the
ion. Another speaker was the
hilip Fretheim, president of the
an Circuit.

and, Maine. At the forenoon
Oct. 11 at First Lutheran
, parish of the Rev. Herman E.
sen, Jr., the sermon was
d by the pastor's father, Dr.
n E. Jorgensen, news editor of
an Herald. Two days later a
of Lutheran pastors in Maine
w Hampshire was held at First
n's parsonage.

by, Wis. The Ladies Aid So-
Coon Prairie Church, parish
Rev. H. O. Aasen, observed Oct.
80th anniversary of its found-
he meeting was well attended.
ciety is headed by Mrs. Otis
n.

Wis. First Lutheran Church,
of the Rev. L. A. Mathre, cele-
its 75th anniversary Oct. 9-11.
rs at Sunday forenoon services
e Rev. N. P. Scheide, a former
of the parish, and Dr. G. M. Bruce. In the afternoon the speaker was the Rev. F. I. Schmidt, vice president of the Eastern District, who dedicated a number of memorial gifts to the church. At a confirmands' reunion the preceding day the speaker was the Rev. S. S. Klyve. On Friday afternoon, Oct. 9, the Ladies Aid gave its anniversary program.

Flushing, N. Y. Trinity Church, parish of the Rev. Leif T. Gulbrandsen, has lately added a new narthex to its church building, the exterior of which is being painted. At the forenoon service Oct. 18 the sermon was preached by Dr. Hermen E. Jorgensen, news editor of **Lutheran Herald.**

North Dakota

Lunds Valley, N. Dak. Zion Church, parish of the Rev. G. C. White, celebrated its 50th anniversary Oct. 18. Speakers were the Rev. Duane Bey, McGregor, N. Dak., and the Rev. H. C. Bakken, Chicago, Ill., the latter a son of Zion Church.

Sheyenne, N. Dak. Sheyenne Valley Church, parish of the Rev. L. A. Staveness, observed its 75th anniversary Sept. 27. Among the speakers were the Rev. B. B. Nielsen, chaplain at the Jamestown State Hospital, and two former pastors of the congregation: J. C. Wisnaes and O. A. Jordahl.

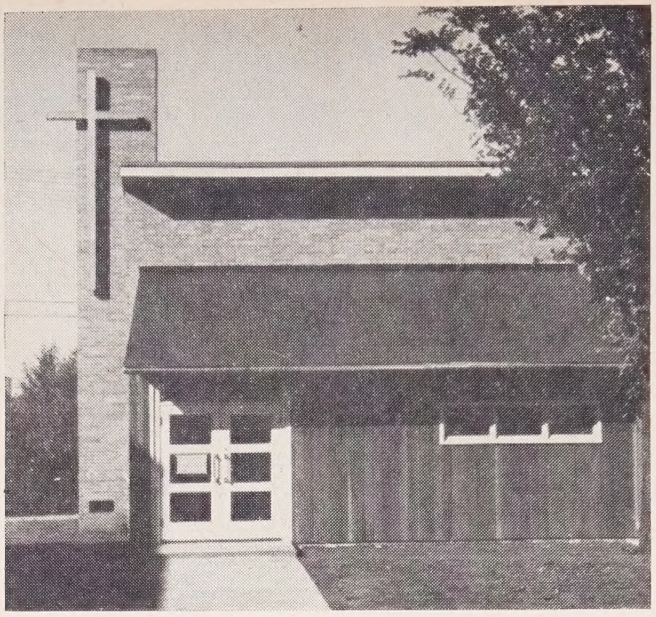
Souris, N. Dak. Trinity Church, parish of the Rev. R. E. Melheim, has been given a new organ by the family of the late Knute Olson. The interior of the church has been recently painted by members working in four teams.

Minnewaukan, N. Dak. Lake Region Circuit YPLL and Choral Union held its fall convention Oct 17-18 at St. Peter's Church, 228 delegates being

MONTANA CHURCHES SEND CARLOAD OF WHEAT

In response to the All Lutheran World Relief Food Appeal, Montana Lutherans have gathered thousands of bushels of wheat to be sent to Arab refugees in the Near East. On Oct. 11 the Rev. Ovie Nielsen of Reserve, state chairman, and the Rev. Olaf Borge of Shelby, regional chairman, officiated at a dedication ceremony at Conrad of a carload containing 1,800 bushels of wheat. This meant an over-subscription of 300 bushels of the donation asked for.

NEW CHURCH IN GRAND FORKS DEDICATED



The first unit of the new University Church in Grand Forks, N. Dak., was dedicated Sunday evening, Oct. 11, by Dr. L. E. Tallakson, president of the North Dakota District. At the morning service the same day the cornerstone of the church was laid by the Rev. Clarence Solberg, assistant Home Missions director. The dedication festivities began Oct. 4 with a service at which the new congregation's mother church, United Lutheran of Grand Forks, presented a gift of $27,626 to the celebrating church, the Rev. J. P. Gaardsmoe preaching the sermon. As a part of the fall meeting of the Grand Forks Circuit held at the new church Oct. 4-5, Pastors O. H. Hove and Orval Schmidt conducted a church officers' workshop in the evening of Oct. 5. Thursday evening, Oct. 8, was National Lutheran Council Churches Day, under the sponsorship of the Lutheran Students Association at the University of North Dakota; the speaker was H. G. Magnuson, president of the Lutheran Student Foundation board. The pastor of University Church is the Rev. R. S. Aanestad.

registered. Guest speaker was the Rev. Norris Erdal of Moorhead, Minn. At the dinner program a film from last summer's YPLL convention at Moorhead was shown.

DIAMOND JUBILEE OF BROOKLYN SEAMEN'S CHURCH

On Sunday, Oct. 18, was celebrated the 75th anniversary of the Norwegian Seamen's Church, Brooklyn, N. Y. At the forenoon service the sermon was preached by the Rev. Vilhelm Vilhelmsen of Bergen, Norway, general secretary of the Norwegian Seamen's Mission. In the afternoon a festive dinner took place at St. George Hotel, hundreds of guests taking part. Of the many speakers on that occasion may be mentioned: Hon. G. Natvig Pedersen, president of the Norwegian Storting; Thor Brodtkorb, Norway's consul general in New York; S. Fougner, president of the Norwegian Seamen's Mission; and Th. Thorsen, captain of Norway's largest passenger liner, the "Oslofjord." At the evening service, which featured music by the "Oslofjords" orchestra, Consul General Brodtkorb read the address which Norway's ambassador in Washington, His Exc. W. Morgenstierne, was prevented by illness from giving in person. Greetings from The Evangelical Lutheran Church were given by Dr. Herman E. Jorgensen as the personal representative of President Aasgaard, and from the ELC Atlantic Circuit by the Rev. C. O. Pedersen. Pastors of the Brooklyn Seamen's Church are Johannes Aardal and Leif Aagaard. A veritable flood of congratulatory telegrams was received by the church; among these may be especially mentioned one from King Haakon of Norway and one from Mayor Impelliteri of New York City.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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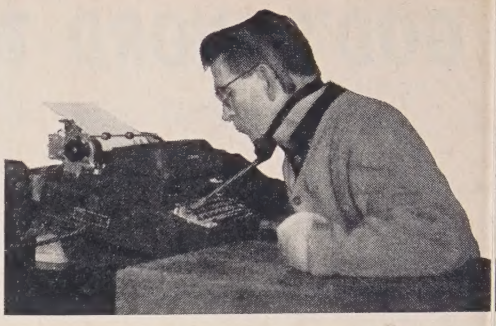

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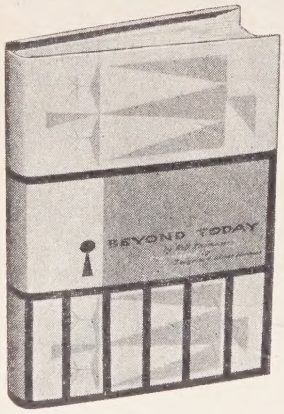

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